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Dear Mr. Garrison;

I write to ask if you are ready - or soon will be - to take hold of my tract on 'The Fugitive Slave Law, and its Victims'. I am condensing it all I can, but I cannot make it possibly less than 60 pp., and I fear it may go considerably over that. My former tract was 48 pp. of close matter. Should it <sup>now</sup> be loosed, like most of the tracts of the new series, it would ~~take~~ make an even larger tract than I name; and therefore it might be best to set it close; but about that you can decide. - I do not hesitate to offer it for publication without any vote, or consulting any



Comtee, because the Exec  
Comtee have by express vote  
requested me to do this  
work, as well as individually  
suggesting it, again & again.

Please let me hear  
from you very soon on this  
subject. If you are ready  
to go to work now, I can  
send you <sup>considerable</sup> ~~some~~ matter  
immediately; <sup>which</sup> ~~it~~ is all  
ready. I expect to be in  
Boston on Wednesday ~~of next~~  
Jan. 2<sup>d</sup>, and design then to  
bring the whole; but if you  
can get started on it earlier,  
it would be better, - both as I  
could then read some proof  
(which I shall wish to see)  
and as the times seem now  
to need the circulation of



this record.

It has always been a matter of regret with several of our courtesy friends, that ~~the~~ former tract was not stereotyped. Perhaps you will conclude to have this one stereotyped.

Please write soon.

With great sympathy with you all, in this trial hour, and regret that my lot for this winter is cast at such a distance from you,

I remain,

Faithfully Yrs

Saml May Jr



S. M. Jr.  
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Mr. Lloyd Garrison